CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims pending:

- At time of the Office Action: Claims 1-22.

- After this Response: Claims 6, 18, 21 and 22.

Canceled claims: 1-5, 7-17 and 19-20, without prejudice.

Amended claims: 6 and 18.

New Claims: None.

The listing of claims below will replace prior versions of claims in the application:

1-5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-implemented</u> method <u>comprising:</u>

<u>creating a template class that stores at least one template parameter,</u> <u>wherein the template class is a correlation helper template that parameterizes a</u> <u>particular aspect of a correlation scenario,</u> ~~as recited in claim 5~~ <u>and</u> wherein the correlation helper template includes at least one parameter to be defined by a user initiating ~~the~~ creation of a new instance of the template class<u>:</u>

<u>specifying at least one additional object to be created when an instance of</u> <u>the template class is created;</u>

<u>initiating the creation of a new instance of the template class using the at</u> <u>least one template parameter; and</u>

if an error occurs during the creation of the new instance of the template class, receiving a report identifying the error.

7-17. (Canceled).

18. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented template description structure comprising:

at least one template class that stores a plurality of template parameters, as recited in claim 17 wherein the at least one template class is a correlation helper template that parameterizes a particular aspect of a correlation scenario;

at least one template builder class that identifies at least one additional object to be created with each instance of the template class; and

at least one order parameter that identifies the order in which the template builder classes are instantiated.

19-20. (Canceled).

21. (Original) One or more computer-readable media having stored thereon a template description structure, the template description structure comprising:

at least one template class that parameterizes a particular aspect of a correlation scenario;

at least one template builder class, wherein each instance of the template builder class identifies an object that needs to be created when creating an instance of the template class; and

at least one order parameter that identifies the order in which the template builder classes are instantiated.

22. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 21 wherein each instance of the template builder class has an associated name.

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